

IN THE CLAIMS

(1) Please rewrite claim 6 as follows:

1 6. (Amended) The method of claim 3 wherein each time slot includes a first portion having
2 A1 a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said first portion
3 comprising a portion reserved for servicing requests in real time.

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(2) Please rewrite claim 7 as follows:

2 7. (Amended). The method of claim 3 wherein each time slot includes a first portion having
3 a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said first portion
comprising a portion reserved for servicing at least one scheduled request.

(3) Please rewrite claim 15 as follows:

1 15. (Amended) The data processing system of claim 12 wherein each time slot includes a
2 first portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said
A32 first portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing requests in real time.

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(4) Please rewrite claim 16 as follows:

1 16. (Amended) The data processing system of claim 12 wherein each time slot includes a
2 first portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said
3 first portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing at least one scheduled request.

(5) Please rewrite claim 24 as follows:

1 24. (Amended) The program product of claim 21 wherein each time slot includes a first
2 portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said first
A33 portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing requests in real time.

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(6) Please rewrite 25 as follows:

25. (Amended) The program product of claim 21 wherein each time slot includes a first portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said first portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing at least one scheduled request.

(7) Please add new claim 33 as follows:

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33. (New) A method for servicing a network request comprising:
determining availability of resource capacity in response to said network request;
allocating a scheduled time for resending said network request by a client initiating said request, the step of allocating a scheduled time including the substeps of:
selecting said scheduled time; and
notifying said client to resend said network request at said scheduled time, and
wherein said scheduled time is selected from a preselected plurality of time slots, each time slot including a first portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said first portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing requests in real time, and each time slot including a second portion having a first preselected proportion of a predetermined network resource capacity, said second portion comprising a portion reserved for servicing at least one scheduled request.

REMARKS

I. ADDED CLAIM 33

New claim 33 has been added. The support for claim 33 is in FIGURE 4 and associated written description, for example, Detailed Description, page 12, lines 7-14. The Applicants' showings with respect to the patentability of claims 6 and 7 are also applicable to claim 33.